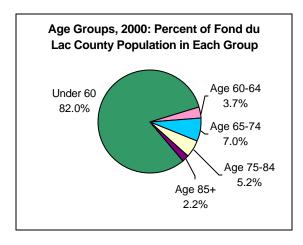
Fond du Lac County's Older Population

A summary of data from the U.S. Census, 2000

Population:

The proportion of people age 65 and older in Fond du Lac County is higher than that of the state as a whole (14.3% versus 13.1%). The rate of growth in the older population since 1990 has been faster in this county than in the state as a whole (10.1% versus 7.9%). In all, 13,942 people in this county are age 65 or older, and 2,119 of these are age 85 or older. Fond du Lac County's average (or median) age is 36.9 years, compared to a statewide median of 36.0 years.

Fond du Lac County: Population and Change Since 1990						
	2000 Census		1990 Census		Change: 1990-2000	
	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% Change
Total, All Ages	97,296		90,083		7,213	8.0%
Persons 60 and over	17,537	18.0%	16,664	18.5%	873	5.2%
Persons 65 and over	13,942	14.3%	12,658	14.1%	1,284	10.1%
Persons 85 and over	2,119	2.2%	1,639	1.8%	480	29.3%



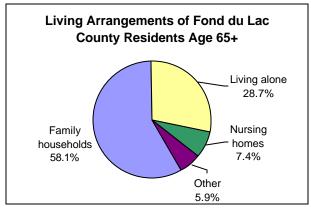
Race:

A large majority (99.2%) of Fond du Lac County's 65 and over population is white. On average, the county's minority groups are younger than whites. Fond du Lac County African Americans have a median age of 29.4 years, and the median age of Hispanics/Latinos here is 21.8 years. Whites, in contrast, average 37.5 years.

Living Arrangements:

Of the 36,931 households in Fond du Lac County, 9,017 include at least one person age 65 or older (24.4% of all households). A total of 8,565 housing units in the county have a "household head" aged 65 or older, and 75.0% of these are owner occupied (the rest are rented).

A majority (58.1%) of the older population lives in "family households" containing at least two people related by blood or marriage, but another 28.7% of people 65 or older live alone. Of those older people in family households, 3.0% are living in the home of one of their children. A total of 1,030 people age 65 and older live in Fond du Lac County nursing homes (7.4% of all those in this age group). A very small number of the county's older residents live in nonfamily households or in other institutions.



SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 1.

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